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Firearms are neither good nor bad. Good people use firearms in a positive manner for lawful purposes, and bad people misuse firearms. It makes no **practical** sense to destroy an inanimate object simply because a bad person misused it. Further, it makes no **economic** sense to destroy an object with inherent value just because it was misused by a bad person. Existing law provides that a firearm in the custody of law enforcement must be sold to a licensed dealer who, in turn, may sell it to a buyer who is required to undergo a criminal background check. This process results in the generation of revenue which will provide a savings to taxpayers. Not only would revenue **not be** generated if firearms were destroyed, but taxpayers' dollars would be **spent** to destroy the items of value. This is a double-whammy to the taxpaying public at a time when most government entities are grappling with budgetary issues.

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Opponent

I imagine our Heavenly Father
has similar feelings toward us at times.

His words reach our ears but we don't really listen to them.

We then get into trouble and perhaps even lost:
His disobedient children.

Thankfully He doesn't stop speaking to us.

Think of the opportunities we have
to listen to the LORD with the ears of a servant.

Our congregation offers WORSHIP SERVICES and
BIBLE STUDIES in which we can listen to the LORD.

PORTALS OF PRAYER and MY DEVOTIONS
are available to bring God's voice to our ears each day.

There is a daily BIBLE READING SCHEDULE
in the blt each week so that you can listen to the LORD.

TODAY'S LIGHT is available to lead us
in reading the entire Bible in two years time.

And of course you could just open the Bible
and read a chapter each day.

May God give us servant ears
so that we too will gladly listen to the LORD.
